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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Zhong, et al.

) Examiner: ACQUAH, Samuel A.

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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January 23, 2004

Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the final Office Action dated October 23, 2003 for which the Examiner has set a three-month period for response, thus making the response due on or before January 23, 2004.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.